इम्प्रूव हो सके। मैं सरकार के ध्यान में एक ही बात लाना चाहता हूं कि 11 अरब डालर का इंटरनेशनल एजेंसी का पैसा बचा हुआ है, छोटे कंट्रीज का भी है। अब यह जो यूटिलाइजेशन इम्प्रूव करने के जो स्टेप्स उठाए गए हैं क्या इनको रिव्यू करेंगे और अगर इसमें सुधार की आवश्यकता है तो क्या वह सुधार करके परिस्थितियों को सुधारेंगे?

SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM: Sir, there is an improvement in 1996-97, if you look at both the global concessional aid or even specifically at the World Bank aid.

National Convention of Child Labour

*467. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI:
SHRI GAYA SINGH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether a National Convention of Child Labour was held in the capital recently, jointly funded by UNICEF, ILO, Ministry of Labour and the Department of Social Welfare;

(b) if so, the money spent and the share of each of the organisations Sponsoring the said convention and the number of children who participated from each State;

(c) whether it is a fact that a number of children participating in the Convention were school-going children who were brought by various voluntary organisations for a picnic; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to see that funds allotted for child labour eradication programmes are not misused?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) The Campaign Aganist Child Labour (CACL) had organised a public hearing on child labour and the 2nd National Convention on Child Labour on 30th March-1st April, 1997 in New Delhi. The names of the organisations and individuals from which funds were received, as indicated by CACL, is given in Statement-I (*See* blow). The convention was attended by 923 children from 11 states. State-wise participation of children in the convention is given in the Statement-II. (*See* below). The organisers have informed that the children who participated in the convention were non-school going and full-time workers engaged in various activites like bidi making, brick kiln, dhaba, sugarcane-cutting, sericulture, hosiery, match box, sari weaving, etc. Apart from the main programme of public deposition, some time was kept for their creative recreational activity.

The Non Governmental and Voluntry Organisations are required to utilise fund for the purpose for which it is sanctioned. The CACL is also required to furnish audited statement of accounts and utilisation certificate in respect of the funds received from the Ministry of Labour. The disbursement ratio which was 17.03 per cent in 1995-96 has improved to 18.70 per cent in 1996-97.

In fact, disbursement ratio for World Bank aid has improved sharply from about 14 to 18 per cent. Disbursement ratio for ADB has improved sharply, and I think it is now close to 19 or 20 per cent. Therefore, the ratio has improved in 1996-97.That is why, hon. Members will recall in the Revised Estimates for 1996-97, I raised the additional Central Assistance to States from Rs. 2,500 crores to Rs. 5,000 crores and for 1997-98, I have provided Rs. 5,000 crores. So, the disbursement ratio has improved in 1996-97 and I will continue to monitor to see that the ratio goes up to at least 20 per cent. ...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Manpower and NPAS in Allahabad Bank, United Bank of India and UCO Bank

*466. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Allahabad Bank, United Bank of India and UCO Bank, in the Eastern Region, are burdened with huge manpower and Non Performing Assets (NPAs);

(b) if so, the details of manpower and NPAs of each of these banks, as on date;

(c) whether Government have attempted to find out the reasons for huge NPAs of each of these banks;

(d) if so, with what results; and

(e) what remedial measures Government have initiated or propose to initiate in each of these banks?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) As per the information furnished by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), the amount of NPAs and their percentage to total advances in respect of Allahabad Bank, United Bank of India and UCO Bank for the last three years were as follows:

Name of the Bank	1993-94 Amount	%age	1994-95 Amount	%age	1995-96 Amount	%age
Allahabad Bank	1025.03	24.74	1235.11	26.88	1255.00	23.98
United Bank of India	1509.00	45.95	1309.68	36.90	1503.00	38.04
UCO Bank	1961.81	34.61	1745.60	29.40	1840.00	24.54
UCO Bank Nationalised	27064.38	25.84	25114.50	19.98	26464.04	18.22

RBI has further reported that full time employees (average for the year) in Allahabad Bank, UCO Bank and United Bank of India for the last three years were as follows:—

Name of the Bank	31.3.94	31.3.95	31.3.96
Allahabad Bank	22276	22495	22543
United Bank of India	22713	22624	22586
UCO Bank	33885	33709	33455

(c) to (e) Operations of Allahabad Bank during 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 resulted in net loss of Rs. 362.72 crores (Loss), Rs. 76.36 crores (Loss) and Rs. 5.62 crores (Profit) respectively thereby showing improvement in profitability.

In the case of remaining two banks viz. UBI and UCO Bank, remedial measures were taken to improve their profitability and reduce NPAs. The reasons for the high NPAs were inadequate credit appraisal system, delay in valuation of loan proposals and sanction, weak monitoring system, lack of risk management system/ management information system.

UCO Bank and UBI were not able to achieve 8% capital adequacy by 31.3.96 and were given further time upto 31.3.97. Additional share capital was infused to the tune of Rs. 110 crore and Rs. 54 crore to UCO Bank and Rs. 256 crore and Rs. 338 crore to UBI during 1995-96and 1996-97 respectively. These two banks had been advised to contain their credit expansion and capital expenditure, impose a ban on further recruitment of staff, cut on additional administrative expenditure.

Government of India/RBI have taken the following measures/issued guidelines for recovery of NPAs:

— The Bank should formulate a loan recovery policy with the approval of Board of Directors of the Bank

— The bank should set up recovery cells at Head Office and monitor recovery of NPAs closely

— The banks may enter into compromise/negotiated settlements on the merits of each case subject to various safeguards prescribed by RBI and ensure maximum recovery at minimum expense

— 8 debts recovery tribunals have been established under the Recovery of Debts due to banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 at Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Calcutta,Delhi, jaipur, Chennai, Guwahati and Patna for expeditious adjudication and recovery of debts due to banks and financial institutions and for matters connected therewith or incident all thereto.

Performance of these banks is being monitored by RBI on a regular basis. UBI and UCO Bank have entered into MOU with their unions/associations with a view to ensuring involvement of staff in developmental activities, clearing of arrears, elimination of restrictive practices etc.

Statement-I

Names of the individuals and organisations from which funds were received as indicated by CACL

(a) Contributions from individuals

Aminder Kaur	150.00
Anant Padma	250.00
Ashok Pillai	100.00
Mr. A.K. Anand	500.00
Mr. A.B. Monti	150.00
Mr. A.S. Rao	150.00
Mr. Ajay Bakaya	500.00
Mr. Alok Goyal	150.00
Mr. Amarjeet Singh	150.00
Mr. Anil Kumar	365.00
Mrs. Alka Patil	150.00
Mr. B.S. Bhatnagar	300.00
Dr. B.R. Sinha	600.00
Mr. C.P. Sudha	300.00
Mr. C.L. Punjabi	150.00
Mrs. C.G. Karnani	10000.00
Mr. C.V. Shivankar	500.00
Mr. D. T. Thomas	200.00
Mr. Dinesh Parakh	500.00
Friends at MARG	450.00
Ms. Geeta Shukla	1100.00
Mr. G.L. Bhatia	50.00
Mr. G.R. Srinivasan	60.00
Mr. G.C. Dalela	300.00
Mr. Ghaysuddin Siddiqui	150.00
Mr. H.K. Keshawwalla	300.00
Mr. Harish Kumar Sharma	150.00
Mr. I.B. Mathur	1100.00
Ms. Jagrutiben	40.00
Mr. Jayant Rajurkar	150.00
Mr. Jolly Elevators	500.00
Mr. Jolly Elevators	1000.00
Mr. K.S. Rathnagiriswaran	100.00
Mr. K.D. Vora	2500.00
Mr. Kamal Kumar	150.00
Mr. Kapil Wadhawan	150.00
Mr. Koshy Mathew	150.00
Mr. Kiran P. G.	500.00
Mr. Laxmichand Chhabria	3000.00
Ms. L. Sudhi	1500.00
Mr. M.R.T. Kumaran	200.00
Mr. Mahesh A. Zarkar	150.00
Mr. Manoj K. Srivastava	150.00
Ms. Nalini K Vora	2500.00
Ms. Neelam Sehgal	500.00
Ms. Neeru Arora	150.00
Mr. N.N. Siju	150.00
Mr. P.K. Mittal	150.00
Mr. P.C. Sogani	1050.00
Mr. Pankaj Nagpal	300.00
Ms. Patricia Sequeira	1150.00
Ms. Parvathi	500.00
Ms. Prabha Prasad	1000.00
Ms. Prathitha	1050.00
Ms. Pushpa Mitra & Mr. V.K. Mitra	1850.00
Mr. R. Kapoor	150.00
Mr. R.N. Mahapatra	200.00
Mr. R.S. Agarwal	300.00
Mr. R.S. Lehal	150.00
Mr. Rajesh Rangra	150.00
Mr. Rajesh Agrawal	150.00
Mr. Rajesh Garg	300.00
Mr. Rajiv Agarwal	10000.00

Mr. Ravi Kumar Gupta	150.00
Ms. Rachana Chopra	150.00
Ms. Raj Kumari Verma	1100.00
Ms. Ruchita Dodhiwala	150.00
R R Shridharan	150.00
S. K. Datta	50.00
Mr. Sangameshwar	100.00
Mr. Satyanarayana Kolli	150.00
Mr. Shilpa Raikar	250.00
Mr. Sudha Narayan	1750.00
Ms. Sanyogita	20.00
Ms. Shama Pasricha	150.00
Ms. Sheela Shrivastava	1100.00
Mr. S.K. Nagpal	500.00
Ms. S.K. Kaul	150.00
Mr. S.K. Mangala	150.00
Mr. S.N. Savoor	1100.00
Mr. S. Michael Sekar	150.00
Mr. S.P. Bhatia	150.00
Mr. S.S. Sharma & Family	150.00
Mr. Sailesh Chandra Mukherjee	1100.00
Mr. Sanjay Arora	150.00
Mr. Shalvi Chitkara	600.00
Mr. Shankar Sripada	150.00
Mr. Shetty Mallikarjun	150.00
Mr. Shibu Chandy	150.00
Mr. Sumant Shrivastava	1000.00
Mr. Sanat Mehta, M.P.	1000.00
Ms. Savita & Raj Hiraremath	1500.00
Mr. Trilok Chand Jindal	150.00
Mr. Tarvinder Singh	150.00
Mr. V.K. Batra	1050.00
Mr. Vikram Singh	150.00
Mr. Vineet Goyal	150.00
Dr. (Ms) Ruby Mishra	150.00
Mr. Sanat Mehta	100.00
Dr. M. Dewan	2200.00

(b) (i) Contributions from Organisations

Frank Anthany School	453.00
Senior Secondary Girls School, Nand Nagri	378.00
Senior Secondary Girls School, Seema Puri	157.00
A, Alok & Co.	100.00
Agniman Corporation	850.00
Anando Group	1100.00
Color Art	1100.00
EEL India Ltd.	10000.00
Essar Oil Ltd.	2122.00
G.M.M. Employees	400.00
Government Girls Senior Secondary School	620.00
Hitek Industries (Bihar) Ltd.	1100.00
Hemant Shah-Best Knitwear	1100.00
ITC Agro Tech	4400.00
Jolly Elevators	1000.00
R. Uday Kumar D. C. & E.	1000.00
Rotary Club of Delhi Down Town	5000.00
Synergy Siemens Telecommunication	5000.00
Shiv Chartable Trust	1100.00
Unique Engineers	1000.00
YWCA	2122.00

(ii) Grants Received

Aid Enfrance Inde, Luxemburg	149250.00
Aus Aid, New Delhi	225000.00
Bilance, Netherlands	125000.00
Catholic relief Services	75000.00
Community Aid Abroad Austrialia	100000.00
Embassy of Netherlands	400000.00
Embassy of Sweden	250000.00
Save the Children Alliance [SCF U.K., SCF Canada, Radda Barnen-Pakistan]	300000.00
SKN, Netherlands	196000.00
Swiss Aid	20000.00
Terre des Hommes, (Germany) India Programme	100000.00
Terre des Hommes, France	133200.00
UNICEF, New Delhi	65000.00
Plan International, New Delhi	75000.00
Ministry of Labour, Government of India	52593.00

Statement-II

Statewise Participation of Children in the 2nd National Connection on Child Labour in New Delhi

S.No.	State	No. of children
1.	Andhra Pradesh	95
2.	Bihar	101
3.	Chandigarh	10
4.	Delhi	60
5.	Gujarat	95
6.	Haryana	10
7.	Himachal Pradesh	12
8.	Karnataka	83
9.	Madhya Pradesh	9
10.	Maharashtra	110
11.	Orissa	100
12.	Punjab	21
13.	Rajasthan	18
14.	Tamil Nadu	144
15.	Uttar Pradesh	55
16.	Grand total	923

Denial of visas on extra Passport Sheets

*468 DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the Times of India, New Delhi on 6th April, 1997 under the heading "Traveller suffer as visa on extra passport sheets is denied";

(b) whether it is fact that some of the Embassies/High Commissions, are refusing to honour the documents and stamp visas on them; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard and the steps proposed to be taken by Government to safeguard the interests of Indians going abroad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) to (c) Government is aware that some Embassies and High Commissions have amended their visa regulations to issue visas only on passport booklets and not on additional visa sheets. Specific instances have also been brought to the attention of the Government by foreign missions where additional visa sheets have been illegally removed from one passport and affixed on another passport.

In view of the changed regualtions as well as the possibility of misuse of additional visa sheets, Government have advised all the Passport Issuing Authoritics in India and Missions abroad to discontinue attaching of additional visa sheets and to instead issue a fresh passport booklet without any additional verifications. Fees charged for this would be as for the normal passport i.e. Rs. 300 for standard size booklet and Rs. 500 for Jumbo booklet. Government is also encouraging the frequent travellers to obtain Jumbo passport booklets. To avoid delay in issue of replacement passport booklets, the instructions are that the service should not take longer than 5 working days.

Pending Cases in MRTPC

*469. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:
SHRI NAGMANI:

Will the MINISTER OF FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the break-up status of pending cases in the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission (MRTPC), as on date;

(b) whether any mega city-wise/metropolitan city-wise, State-wise review regarding registration, disposal and pendency of cases in the MRTPC was udnertaken during the last three years; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to strengthen/reorient/restructure the MTRPC during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) There were 3411 enquiries/cases pending in the MRTP Commission as on 31.3.1997. The break up of the enquiries/cases is as under: